Appl. No. 10/573,728 Response to Office Action dated June 8, 2009 and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Dated December 17, 2009

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the current abstract with the abstract below:

A tube fitting for connection with a tube includes first and second flanges members and a ferrule between the first and second flanged members. The ferrule engages the tube to form a tube grip and seal when the first and second flanged members are drawn together. A tapered clamp may be used to draw the flanged members together.